HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 229

By DuBois

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Betty June Andrews Denton of Maury County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Betty June Andrews Denton; and

WHEREAS, Betty Denton was an exemplary public servant and an extraordinary individual who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of the late Dimple Bigham Andrews and John Samuel

Andrews, Betty Denton graduated from Martin College with an Associates' Degree in Business;

and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Denton's primary calling was in nurturing her husband and family, though she was also an accomplished piano teacher; in any role she filled, she served with dignity and earned the respect of all who knew her; and

WHEREAS, Betty Denton was an active and devout member of the First United

Methodist Church; she also served faithfully for many years as organist and elder at Central

Presbyterian Church; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Denton was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Denton enjoyed the loving companionship of her husband, Edward Merrill Denton, who preceded her in death, and was the proud mother of Linda Holland, Betty Webb, and Hal Denton; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Denton will be sorely missed by her brother, John Knox; her sister-inlaw, Frances Denton Bowman; and six loving grandchildren; and WHEREAS, Betty June Andrews Denton leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Betty June Andrews Denton, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mrs. Denton.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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